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(54) **Container carrier**

(57) This invention relates to a package (1) of a plurality of containers (5) unitized with a flexible container carrier (10). The carrier (10) is constructed from a plastic planar sheet having a plurality of container receiving openings (20). At least one handle (30) is integrally formed with the sheet and removable along a handle tear line (40). A carrier tear line (50) extends across the sheet and enables the package (1) to be divided into sub-packages (2) depending upon merchandising requirements. One or more handles (30 or 35) are removed along the handle tear line (40), depending on the required configuration of the package. Preferably pack and pricing information (25) is provided on the handles (30,35) so that the remaining handle on each pack carries the appropriate pricing information (25) for the whole (1) or the divided (2) pack.

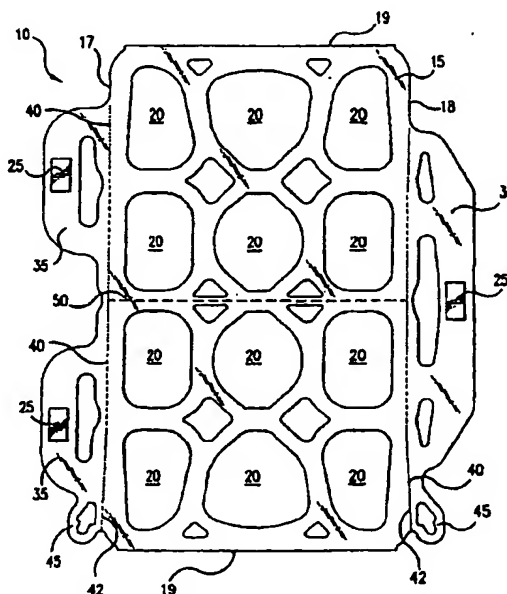


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